

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: MASS, PFOR, GR, TU, US  
SUBJECT: AID TO GREECE -- PRESS REACTION

1. FY-78 SECURITY ASSISTANCE LEVELS FOR GREECE RECEIVED  
ROUTINE PRESS TREATMENT BASED ON MARCH 2 WASHINGTON ANNOUNCEMENT.
2. THE FIGURES FOR GREECE AND TURKEY WERE PLAYED IN A STRAIGHT-  
FORWARD MANNER, EVEN BY MOSCOW-ORIENTED RIZOSPASTIS, ALTHOUGH  
CONSERVATIVE ESTIA HEADLINED THAT AID TO GREECE IS LOWER THAN  
THAT TO TURKEY. IN COUNTERPOINT, PROGOVERNMENT ACROPOLIS  
AND VRADHYNI BOTH NOTED THAT FY-78 AID TO GREED EXCEEDS FY-77  
ASSISTANCE. COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE INTERIOR'S AVGHI IGNORED  
THE MATTER.
3. MOST PAPERS MADE SOME REFERENCE TO A CONNECTION BETWEEN  
THE LEVELS AND THE DCA, BASED ON INFORMATION FROM UNSPECIFIED  
WASHINGTON OBSERVERS OR CIRCLES.

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4. THE ONLY DIRECT EDITORIAL COMMENT: VRADHYNI, ON MARCH 4,  
FINDS IT "PARADOXICAL" THAT TURKEY IS NOT INCLUDED ON THE  
"INDEX" OF THOSE COUNTRIES WHO WILL SUFFER AID REDUCTIONS,  
EVEN THOUGH SHE HAS COMMITTED "WELL-KNOWN, INDISPUTABLE"  
HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS ON CYPRUS. THE EDITORIAL CONCLUDES THAT  
SECRETARY VANCE'S REPORTED ASSURANCES THAT THE PROTECTION OF  
US INTERESTS WOULD NOT BE PURSUED AT THE EXPENSE OF HUMAN

RIGHTS WOULD BE "EMPTY" IF NOT APPLIED TO TURKEY.

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